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Re:

Applicant: Catherine O'Neill

Invention: Resealable Tabs for A Drinking Cup

Application No.: 09/927,606

Dear Sir/Madame:

Enclosed herewith please find the following:

Petition to Withdraw Abandonment with Exhibit.

Should you have any questions or comments with regard to the above, please do not hesitate to call the number referenced above.

Very truly yours,

Dennis Morris Patent Attorney Reg. No. 38,975

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In Re Application of: Catherine O'Neill

Serial No.: 09/927,606

Invention: Resealable Tab

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PETITION TO WITHDRAW ABANDONMENT

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure ("MPEP"), § 711.03(c), the Applicant respectfully requests that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("Office") hereby withdraw its holding of abandonment as to the above-referenced Application on the grounds of failure to receive Office Action. On or about June 2, 2003, we filed an Office Action Response with the Office in response to the Examiner's Office Action of January 3, 2003. On July 7, 2004, we first learned that, unbeknownst to us or the Applicant, the Office sent a Final Office Action on or about August 20, 2003, and thereafter issued a Notice of Abandonment on or about March 17, 2004. Neither we, nor the Applicant, ever received these communications.

In an overabundance of caution, I have caused the file jacket and all docket and file records to be checked to confirm the above communications were not received. I confirm that these communications were never received by this Firm. For the Office's convenience, we

include a copy of the Docket Record, attached as Exhibit "A", in this matter which also reflects that the above communications were never received by this Firm.

Given the above, it is respectfully requested that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn, and that the Final Office Action be remailed with a renewed statutory period for reply.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Dated: July <u>28</u>, 2004

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O'NEILL RESEALABLE TAB PATENT APPLICATION 09/927,606

No.	Date	Title	Description	
1.	08/11/00	U.S. Prov. Pat. App.	Provisional Patent App. and all related filing papers.	
2.	08/09/01	U.S. Pat. App.	Patent App. and all related filing papers.	
3.	09/11/02	Request for Withdrawal as Attorney or Agent	Related papers.	
4.	01/03/03	Office Action	Office Action Summary; Notice of References Cited and related papers.	
5.	04/17/03	Revocation of Power of Attorney or Authorization of Agent and Power of Attorney or Authorization of Agent		
6.	04/30/03	Notice of Acceptance of Power of Attorney and Notice Regarding Change of Power of Attorney	(mailed together)	
7.	05/01/03	Fax from PTO Customer Service Center	Fax of claim pages.	
8.	06/02/03	Office Action Response	Office Action Response to Office Action of January 3, 2003; Mock-up copy of the Application Specification; Petition for Extension of Time; and check in the amount of \$205.00 for the extension.	